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Re Patent Application of
TRACY E. HAMBLETT, JR.
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Filed: 1/18/00
For: METHOD FOR STABILIZING SOIL
AGAINST EROSION

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Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

FEE CALCULATION: No Additional Fees Due. Upon entry of the below amendment, the total number claims will be 20 or less, and the number of independent claims will be 3 or less.

AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Office Action, please amend the application as follows:

REPLACEMENT PARAGRAPH(S), SECTION(S) AND CLAIM(S):

In the Specification (bracketed parts deleted and underlined parts added):

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 16, with:

A land area to be treated is covered by a layer of soil particles that may extend to various depths below the upper surface of the land area. The invention is highly suitable for use on land areas where the soil has been recently moved or positioned, such as, for example, a golf course during or just after the final contour grading preparations, and before any significant turf growth has been

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